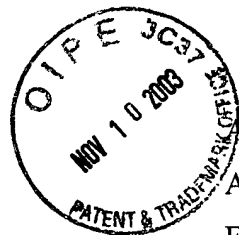


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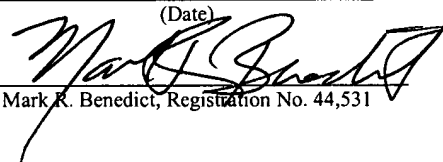
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

- (X) Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement in 6 pages.
- (X) The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 6, 2003 in the above-identified application, Applicant responds as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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